

PSALMS: THE HEBREW HYMN BOOK

A. Author: David, Asaph, Korahites, Heman, Ethan, Moses, Solomon, Anonymous.

B. Title: Psalms (from Greek meaning “melodies”); Hebrew title meant “praises.”

C. Theme: In every situation, God is worthy of our praise and our trust.

D. Outline:

a. Five Divisions of Psalms

1. Book One (1-41)

All but four (1,2,10,33) attributed to David
Use the name Yahweh predominantly

2. Book Two (42-72)

Mixed authors: Sons of Korah (42-49), David (51-65, 68-70)
Compilation for Tabernacle and Temple services
Use the name Elohim predominantly

3. Book Three (73-89)

Mixed: Asaph (73-83), Sons of Korah (84-88), David (86)
Uses Elohim and Yahweh equally

4. Book Four (90-106)

Mixed: Moses (90), David (101,103), Anonymous (the remainder)
Uses Yahweh predominantly

5. Book Five (107-150)

Mixed: David (107-110,122,124,131,133,138-145), Anonymous (the remainder)
Liturgical Psalms (Psalms of Ascents & Hallelujah Psalms)

b. Types of Psalms (13-22)

1. Nature Psalms (8,19,29,65,104)

All creation testifies to the glory of God (19:1-4)
As part of creation, mankind reflects His glory (8:1-5)
God is in charge even in the storm (29:3-5)

2. Thanksgiving Psalms(11, 16, 23, 27, 62, 63, 91, 105, 106, 135, 136)

For His Salvation History (105:1-5)
For His Shepherding Instinct (23)

3. Imprecatory Psalms (35,69,83,88,109,137,140)

Invokes curses or judgment on one’s enemies (35:1-5)
Releases the hurt by trusting in the Lord (35:9-10)

4. Penitential Psalms (6,32,38,51,102,143)

Confession of Sin to God (51)
Power of forgiveness (32:1-5)

5. Lament Psalms

Community (12, 44, 58, 60, 74, 79, 80, 83, 85, 89, 94, 123, 126, 129)

--60:1-2- God has abandoned His people

Individual (3-5, 7, 9-10, 13, 14, 17, 22, 25-28, 31, etc.)

--10:1-4- Where is God when we need Him?

6. Royal Psalms (2, 18, 20, 21, 29, 45, 47, 72, 93, 96-99, 101, 110, 144)

Prayer for the Ideal King (Jesus) (72:1-4)
Combination of King and Priest (110:4)

7. Song of Ascents (120-126,130-134)

Songs to inspire worshipers headed to the temple (122)

8. Hallelujah Psalms (145-150)

Psalms of Praise (150)

E. Real Life Lessons from Psalms:

1. Singing is the expression of a heart seeking after God.
2. We need songs to express both praise and lament.
3. Some songs are sung to God (Praise) and some songs are sung about God (Testimony). Both are needed.
4. Songs can release us from the burden of trying to control God’s creation.
5. Songs provide a vehicle for us to give thanksgiving to God.

Hymns for Tonight's Worship



- # 5.....I Sing Praises
- # 18...Let's Just Praise the Lord
- # 563.....Open My Eyes That I May See
- # 432.....Revive Us, O Lord

Copies of "**The Journey**" outlines are still available in the Ministry Hallway. You can listen to the messages on our website: www.fbtc.org.

- **No Services Wednesday, Apr 20** - Due to the Good Friday service that week, we will not have supper or any other regular Wednesday night activities. Also remember that the church office will be closed on Friday, **Apr 22**.
- **VBS 2011 is coming June 20-24!** Anyone interested in volunteering during VBS this year will be required to attend a training class to be held on Sunday, **May 1** at 4pm. Only the students (7th-12th grade) and adults who attend this class will be allowed to teach or help with VBS 2011. If you are interested, please contact Ginger McIlwain at 604-7707 or Christie Keller at 443-7735 by Friday, **Apr 29**.
- **One Heart Café** - Friday, **Apr 29** at 6:30pm in the FLC - Sign up today in the Ministry Hallway for a fun night of girl talk and desserts. Open to all women ages 18 & up.
- **Lord's Supper** - This Sunday, **Apr 17** at 6pm. Don't miss this special time as we look toward Easter week.
- **Living Cross** - Please remember to have your preschooler and/or child bring a flower on Easter Sunday morning. They will place it on the "Living Cross" in the courtyard that day.

Mark Your Calendar!

Good Friday ~ Apr 22 ~ 7pm

*Easter Sunrise ~ 6am - Schillinger Rd Property
Resurrection Celebration ~ 9 & 10:30am - FBTC*

IMPORTANT NEWS ABOUT Wednesday Night Supper

We will no longer have a permanent supper list. Your reservations will be taken from the reservation tear-off form found at the bottom of the monthly menu. You may also call in your reservation by the Monday before. Starting in June, we ask if you do not have reservations for that day, please wait until 5:30pm to eat.

Menu for April 27*

***Note: No supper or services Wed, Apr 20**

Taco Salad, Corn, Brownies

Cashier - Evelyn Vaughn

Servers - Patsy Tanner & Pat Dennis

*Serving time is 5:00 until 6:00pm. Children 5 & under - free, ages 6 to Adult are \$4.00 each with a family max of \$16.00. Please call the church office to make your reservations by **Monday, April 25**.*